



Disaster Recovery: To Volunteer or Donate

This guide features resources and organization that are helping coordinate volunteers and donations in the recovery effort from the South Carolina 2015 Flood Disaster. For more resources and handouts, visit the Disaster Recovery Guide @ South Carolina State Library
<http://statelibrary.sc.libguides.com/disaster-recovery>

HELP INDIVIDUALS

- United Way Association of South Carolina
<http://getconnected.uwasc.org/drm/>
Coordinating volunteer efforts, particularly for small groups. Their volunteer homepage has maps of area and opportunities to register to volunteer or donate. The website lists agencies that are engaged in recovery.
 - South Carolina Flood Fund
<http://www.uwasc.org/node/468>
- South Carolina Emergency Management Division-Donations and Volunteers
<http://www.scemd.org/recovery-section/donations-and-volunteers>
The South Carolina Emergency Management Division has an updated list of needed items, and contact information for charitable organizations around the state that are in need of donations and volunteers.
- Red Cross Palmetto South Carolina Region
<http://www.redcross.org/local/sc>
The homepage has links and contacts for the 5 chapters around the state.
- Central Carolina Community Foundation
<https://www.yourfoundation.org/community-impact/sc-flood-relief>
CCCF has established a Flood Relief Fund to address the pressing needs of flood victims- both short and long term.
- Charleston County Public Library-Flood Recovery Resources
<http://www.ccpl.org/content.asp?id=148142&action=detail&catID=5367&parentID=5368>
Information includes resources for the Lowcountry on giving and receiving assistance.

The SC Department of Consumer Affairs reminds donors to direct their gifts to responsible, well-known charities in the wake of the disaster:

<http://www.consumer.sc.gov/consumer/PressRelease/Documents/2015/15000.pdf>

- Beware of Disaster Scams
<http://www.consumer.sc.gov/consumer/PressRelease/Documents/2015/BewareofDisasterScams.pdf>



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HELP LIBRARIES

Friends of South Carolina Libraries

<http://www.foscl.org/>

Friend groups associated with South Carolina libraries are non-profit, charitable groups that support the library. They are involved in fundraising, advocacy, volunteerism, and public awareness campaigns.

List of South Carolina Library Friends Groups

<http://www.foscl.org/Groups.html>

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

The South Carolina State Library Foundation supports and advocates for libraries and literacy awareness by fostering collaborations with public and private partnerships that enhance lifelong learning for all patrons and South Carolinians.

The Foundation also works with the SC State Library to provide materials to libraries in need. Donations may be directed for library materials and programs or book donations may also be sent to the Foundation to distribute to libraries in South Carolina.

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